

THE UNION.

"FROM THE LITTLE ACORN GROWS THE MASSIVE OAK."

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School Land Notice.

All actual and bona fide settlers or occupants, who have improved school land were, on January 1st, 1894, actual settlers or occupants thereon have the right to purchase the land they have been occupying, at private sale at the appraised price, provided they file their written applications with this Board prior to July 1st, 1897. Failure to so file their applications for the land they claim will result in a forfeiture of their right to so purchase.

If occupants of school land desire to purchase at private sale they should lose no time in forwarding their applications to this office.

WESLEY K. WALTON, Sec.

State Board of Land Commissioners.

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 10th 1897.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

Notice is hereby given that a county teacher's examination will be held in St. George, Friday and Saturday, July 2nd and 3rd, 1897. All Teachers expecting to teach in Washington County should be present. Upon proper presentation some certificates may be renewed, but, in future, upon no consideration, except in extreme circumstances, will temporary certificates be granted.

Levi N. Harmon.
Co. Supt. Dist. Schools.



CULLED FROM VARIOUS SOURCES

On June 16, 3 inches of snow fell at Soda Springs, Idaho.

The Nephi Republic Publishing Co., will be incorporated in July, 1897.

A heavy windstorm visited La Veta Colo., on June 16, doing much damage to fruit and shade trees and garden truck.

A hot wave was visiting Chicago, Ill., on June 14, 15, and 16. The people suffered with the heat and two deaths from sunstrokes were reported.

Evan Stephens, of Salt Lake City, is the winner of the prize for the best music to the Pioneer ode, composed by H. G. Whitney, also of Salt Lake City.

Ground has been donated by the Salt Lake City Council, at the intersection of Main and South Temple sts., on which to erect the Brigham Young Statue.

Messrs Young and Williams have reported to the Nephi Republic that a boulder of quartz has been found at the head of Santaquin canyon that assays \$40,200 to the ton. Parties are now looking for the ledge from which it was broken off.

On the night of June 15, between 10 and 11 p. m., earthquakes visited the Southern part of Mexico, from Acapulco to Vera Cruz. They were especially violent in the town of San Marcos, state of Puebla, where the shocks were both vertical and horizontal and were accompanied by subterranean rumblings. The movement was 35 seconds, followed later by another shock lasting ten seconds. Acapulco reports a shock both vertical and horizontal, preceded by loud noises under ground. Curiously-enough the movement was experienced across the whole country at about the same time, the hour reported differing only a few seconds. No damage is noted, but there is considerable alarm.

The town of Fecimilic, near the city of Oaxaca was inundated suddenly several persons being drowned.

Rains are very heavy in that region.

WHAT IS A SILVER REPUBLICAN.

The National Republican League meets in Detroit next July and the officials of the National League have announced that there was but one test of Republicanism, namely the St. Louis platform. The president of the National League goes further. He says such citizens of the west who believe in the unlimited free coinage of silver CAN NOT attend the National League as Republicans. They do not recognize mongrels or half-breeds.

They rule out all handles to the word Republican. "Silver Republican," they claim, is a misnomer and a fraud—and justly too. The

Salt Lake Herald asks, "What will the Silver Republicans do?" Why? Why should there be any Silver Republicans? What does "Silver Republicans" mean? What is his faith, his principles, his convictions?

If a man has been a Republican and has changed his political opinions so that he no longer believes in Republican doctrines, does he not give up Republicanism?

If a man adopts and believes in the principles of the Chicago platform, does he not cease to be a believer in Republicanism and does he not become a Democrat?

The Republican party believes in the single gold standard, it is absolutely opposed to the free coinage of silver, and yet there are men who believe in the free coinage of silver who makes silver the all-absorbing issue and call themselves "Silver Republicans," yet the two words negative each other.

The word silver is to imply that the owner of the title "Silver Republican" is in favor of silver and the word "Republican" implies that the holder of the same title is opposed to the free coinage of silver.

We may with just as much propriety say a *white colored man* or a *white black horse* or a *round straight hoop*. Let this misnomer, this humbug of a name "Silver Republican," be abandoned. Let every man who favors the free coinage of silver stand up for Bryan and the Chicago platform. Let those who are for the single gold standard stand by McKinley and Republicanism. Let the people fall in line. The sooner the issue is clearly drawn between the free coinage of silver and gold and the demanetization of silver, the sooner will the matter be settled. But in heavens name do not bombast the people with the misnomer, the chest, Silver Republican.—Ogden Standard.

BAD ROADS TO BLAME.

Why the Farmers in the East find their Business Unprofitable.

A highly important feature of the highways question is the effect good or bad roads have upon the local markets and their sources of supply, says the New York Tribune. In all the cities and large towns of the state there is a demand for farm products and for

the bulkier and heavier products, such as hay and straw and grain.

In many cases the surrounding country is quite capable of supplying that demand; in all cases it should do so as far as possible; in most cases it does not. Instead, supplies are brought in by rail or canal far away, perhaps from other streets; while at the same time, within a few miles of the market thus supplied, are farms that have been abandoned as not worth working and others owners are in chronic discontent and despair at the apparent impossibility of getting profitable prices for their crops. The big farms of the west, they say, monopolize the markets, and so farming here no longer pays.

Now, one prime secret of the trouble lies in the bad road, which keep the producer and the consumer apart by making it difficult, if not impossible, for the farmers to get their produce to market. The farmer 1,000 miles away can get his cross to market by rail or canal more easily and more cheaply than the farmer only ten miles away can haul his in over roads that are so hilly and rough and miry that half a ton is a heavy load for a horse to draw at a slow footpace.

It is not that farms in the east are no longer productive, nor that the eastern market no longer offers fair prices. It is that the roads between the farms and the markets are so bad as to make shipment unprofitable. Good roads through out the farming regions adjacent to the cities and towns would do more than anything else to restore prosperity to the farmers, enabling them to get their goods to the best possible market easily, promptly and cheaply. Good roads would mean good farms, good markets, good prices and good times for all concerned.

Frank Petty, of Rockville, Utah, has bought the Stout Brothers Saw mill and is preparing to fill all orders our patrons may send him, as fast as the mill can be made to saw it. Send on your orders. The mill is located at mt. Trumbull.

Do not forget that while you fold your hands, Time folds not up his wings.